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- ☐ A Certified copy of an _____ application.
- ☐ An Associate Power of Attorney.
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Figure 1 consists of 12 sub-graphs labeled (a) through (l), each showing the growth of *E. coli* O157:H7 in ground beef under different treatment conditions. The y-axis for all graphs is \log_{10} CFU/g, ranging from 0 to 10. The x-axis is time in hours, ranging from 0 to 100. The graphs show various growth curves, with some treatments showing significant growth and others showing inhibition or slower growth.

- (a) Control: Shows rapid growth, reaching approximately 10 \log_{10} CFU/g by 100 hours.
- (b) Acid: Shows growth, reaching approximately 8 \log_{10} CFU/g by 100 hours.
- (c) Sodium Lactate: Shows growth, reaching approximately 8 \log_{10} CFU/g by 100 hours.
- (d) Sodium Lactate + Sodium Nitrite: Shows growth, reaching approximately 8 \log_{10} CFU/g by 100 hours.
- (e) Sodium Lactate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate: Shows growth, reaching approximately 8 \log_{10} CFU/g by 100 hours.
- (f) Sodium Lactate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate + Sodium Nitrite: Shows growth, reaching approximately 8 \log_{10} CFU/g by 100 hours.
- (g) Sodium Lactate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate: Shows growth, reaching approximately 8 \log_{10} CFU/g by 100 hours.
- (h) Sodium Lactate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate + Sodium Nitrite: Shows growth, reaching approximately 8 \log_{10} CFU/g by 100 hours.
- (i) Sodium Lactate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate: Shows growth, reaching approximately 8 \log_{10} CFU/g by 100 hours.
- (j) Sodium Lactate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate + Sodium Nitrite: Shows growth, reaching approximately 8 \log_{10} CFU/g by 100 hours.
- (k) Sodium Lactate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate: Shows growth, reaching approximately 8 \log_{10} CFU/g by 100 hours.
- (l) Sodium Lactate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate + Sodium Nitrite + Sodium Nitrate + Sodium Nitrite: Shows growth, reaching approximately 8 \log_{10} CFU/g by 100 hours.

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